

**REPORTER SUPREME AND  
APPELLATE COURTS.**



**MISS EMMA MAY.**

Publication of six supreme and seven appellate court reports thus far in her term as reporter, as compared with three supreme and seven appellate reports over a period of four years under a republican predecessor, is only a sample of the efficiency that Miss Emma May of Terre Haute, democratic candidate on the state ticket for re-election as reporter of the two courts, has shown in the conduct of the office. Miss May is the only woman on the state ticket of the democratic and republican parties. She did not wait for business training until after her election to office, but for years has been a successful business woman and is part owner of the May Shop, Inc., in Terre Haute. She was a charter member of the Indiana Women's Democratic club, served as treasurer, vice president and president of the organization, was democratic vice chairman of the old Fifth district, was Vigo county vice chairman in 1928 and Terre Haute city vice chairman in 1929, was again Vigo county vice chairman in 1930 and served until 1932. An ex-officio member of the state printing board, Miss May has demonstrated her keen business ability in helping to bring about considerable savings to the state in the cost of printing contracts.

**COMMISSIONER  
Third District.**



**FRED COTTOM.**

Fred Cottom, democratic candidate for county commissioner from the Third district, was born on a Vigo county farm and now lives on a farm in Pierson township. His early education was in the county schools and farming has been his life's work. He is a member of the farm bureau and has served three years as a director of the Vigo County Cooperative Milk Marketing and Producers' association and was recently named for another term on the board. For years Cottom has raised fine stock and he points with considerable pride to his fine dairy herd and his Percheron horses. Cottom is married and has six children.

**FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.**



**JACK O'GRADY.**

Jack O'Grady, democratic candidate for state representative, was born at Kewanee in Henry county, Ill., and came to Terre Haute about 22 years ago. His early education and training was along business and professional lines and a natural inclination brought a love for harmony and music. During the world war he was in the service, was overseas for two years and was attached to the headquarters of John J. Pershing for some time. O'Grady for a number of years has been a well known orchestra leader and is president of Musicians' union No. 25. He is also a member of the American legion, the Elks, the Eagles and the Sycamore club. He is married and his campaign manager is his young son, Jackie Jr., age six. O'Grady in addition to his musical work is a traveling salesman for the Keifer-Stewart Wholesale Drugs company.

**FOR TREASURER.**



**HOWARD O'LAUGHLIN.**

Howard O'Laughlin, a native born Terre Haute citizen, is the democratic candidate for county treasurer. Educated in the Terre Haute schools, O'Laughlin graduated from Wiley high school and from Rose Polytechnic Institute in the civil engineering course. For years he was in construction work with some of the well known Terre Haute construction firms, and for three years he was the office manager for the Star manufacturing company of New Lexington, O., makers of coal cars. For several months he was a deputy in the office of the Vigo county surveyor, and in all his experience he has been in constant contact with large groups of workers, and their friendship for him testifies to his judgment and his ability to work in cooperation with all. O'Laughlin is married and has two children. He is a member of the American legion, having served in the army during the world war, and is a member of the Eagles and Knights of Columbus lodges.

**FOR SURVEYOR.**



**CHARLES C. MODESITT.**

Charles C. Modesitt, democratic candidate for Vigo county surveyor, has served the county in that capacity and asks reelection. He resides on R. R. 4, out of Terre Haute. Born in Parke county, he moved into Vigo county with his parents when he was but a child. He graduated from the grade schools of Terre Haute, graduated from Wiley high school and graduated from Rose Polytechnic institute, being a member of the civil engineering class of 1906. Following his school work he was employed by various Indiana and Illinois construction companies and in railroad and bridge construction work. Mr. Modesitt is intensely interested in parent-teacher activities and has always been a booster for the advancement of the parent-teachers organization in Terre Haute and Vigo county.



**RICHARD V. NEWTON.**

Judge Richard V. Newton of Superior Court No. 2 is a candidate on the democratic ticket for reelection. Judge Newton's record on the bench is one of conscientious service and judicial accomplishment, so attorneys that have appeared in his court assert. Born in Parke county Newton came to Vigo county when a young man and started his preparation for a career in the legal profession. He graduated in 1893 from the law school at the University of Michigan and returning to Terre Haute opened law offices. He was appointed by Governor Sam Ralston as the judge of the City Court in Terre Haute and served in that capacity in 1915, 16 and 17. In 1932 he was a candidate for and was elected to the judgeship of Superior Court No. 2 of Vigo county. Judge Newton is married and has two children. He is a member of Terre Haute lodge No. 51, I. O. O. F.; a member of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Central Christian church.



**DR. CLARENCE R.  
VAN ARSDALL.**

Dr. Clarence R. Van Arsdall, physician and surgeon, prominent in medical circles and now serving as Vigo county coroner, is a candidate for reelection. Dr. Van Arsdall is married, has two children and lives at 2229 Crawford street. Born in Sullivan county, he received his early education in the grade and high schools at Hymera. He then attended Indiana university, where he graduated with honors in the medical course. After serving one year as interne at St. Anthony's hospital he began the practice of medicine in Terre Haute. He is a member of the Masonic lodge, Kerman Grotto, Zorah shrine, the American legion, the Forty and Eight, the Elks lodge, the American Medical association, Indiana State Medical association, Vigo County Medical association, Terre Haute Academy of Medicine and the Aesculapian Society of the Wabash valley.



**VIRGINIA E. JENCKES.**

Mrs. Virginia E. Jenckes, member of congress from the Sixth district, is a candidate for reelection. During her two terms in congress she has made an enviable record and has won the friendship and support of labor, the veterans, the farmers and voters in general.

Born in Terre Haute, Mrs. Jenckes was educated in the Terre Haute schools and for years has been and continues to be active in boosting for flood control and other vital questions of community interest. Her parental ancestors for four generations lived at Vincennes and among them was the celebrated Judge Henry Vanderburg, famed in the early history of Indiana.

Mrs. Jenckes owns a farm, is a practical farmer and understands farm questions. Her record in congress has brought her the endorsement of group after group and her fight against communism has attracted national comment. Any matter referred to her by her constituents of the Sixth district receives prompt and courteous consideration and action.



**LEONARD P. KINCADE.**

Leonard P. Kincade, democratic candidate for prosecuting attorney, was born in Terre Haute and has lived in the city all of his life. A graduate of the Terre Haute grade schools he entered Wiley high school where he was a well known athlete and debater, and after graduating from there went to Indiana State Teachers college, where he graduated, then entered Indiana university, where he was an assistant in the publicity department while working his way toward graduation with honors in the I. U. law course. In his school days he was a news writer and is now a well known sport official. He began the practice of law about 10 years ago, and has served many times as special judge in the courts of Terre Haute and Vigo county. Kincade is married and has one child. His home is at 1819 South Seventh street. He is a member of Social lodge No. 86, the Elks, the Eagles and the Moose lodges, a member of Kerman Grotto, and a member of the board of directors of the Boy Scouts.



**JOSEPH E. DREHER.**

Joseph E. Dreher, democratic candidate for sheriff of Vigo county, was born on a farm in Fayette township, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Dreher. He was educated in the Vigo county schools and as a young man worked on the farm and in the mines as a member of the U. M. W. of A. until the world war broke out and then he entered the services of his country. Returning after the war he resumed his former occupations, became a member of the American legion, the Forty and Eight and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is also a member of the Moose lodge. Dreher is married and has two children. He is an experienced officer of the law and has served as deputy sheriff. This is the first time that Dreher has ever sought an elective office.

# DEMOCRATIC TICKET NOV. 3

## FOR STATE SENATOR.



**VICTOR E. ALDRIDGE.**

Victor E. Aldridge, democratic candidate for state senator from Vigo county, was known as the "Hoosier Schoolmaster" when he was winning fame as a baseball pitcher a few years ago. Born on a farm in Martin county Aldridge received his early education in country schools and grew to manhood while performing duties that a farmer's son would. He taught school a season.

He played for the Indianapolis Indians, Chicago Cubs, the Pittsburgh Pirates and the New York Giants. During the world war "Vic" served in the U. S. navy. Retiring from baseball Aldridge moved to Terre Haute several years ago and took up the study of law. He graduated from the Voorhees law school. He is married, and has one son "Vic," a well known Wiley high school athlete. The family lives at 2412 South Eighth street. Aldridge is a member of the American legion.

## FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.



**HERMAN W. MODISETT.**

Herman W. Modisett, who has served in the Indiana legislature as a Vigo county representative since 1930, is a candidate on the democratic ticket for reelection. He was born on a farm in Otter Creek township and was reared on a farm and still resides on a farm. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Ira A. Modisett. A charter member of the Vigo county farm bureau, he has served as a director of this organization and has been a consistent worker. In the legislature his record has won for him the endorsement of labor and the farm organizations. He was one of the sponsors of the Indiana free text book law and has always been vitally interested in taxing matters and a staunch supporter of bills designed to enforce government economy. His experience in past legislative sessions recommends him to the voters.

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE.



**JOSEPH CUBBY.**

Joseph Cubby, miner and farmer, is a democratic candidate for state representative. Cubby came to Vigo county about 19 years ago. He had served in the world war with the Canadian forces and returning from the war came to the county that is now his home and started work in the mines. For years he served as a member of the legislative committee for the United Mine Workers and has assisted in drafting and supporting many bills that are now laws of the state of Indiana. He lives on a farm on R. R. 2, West Terre Haute, and for the past seven years has been president of Dresser local No. 414. Cubby is a forceful speaker and his many friends always refer to him as a leader that can and does win cooperation and consideration for his points. He is married and has two children.

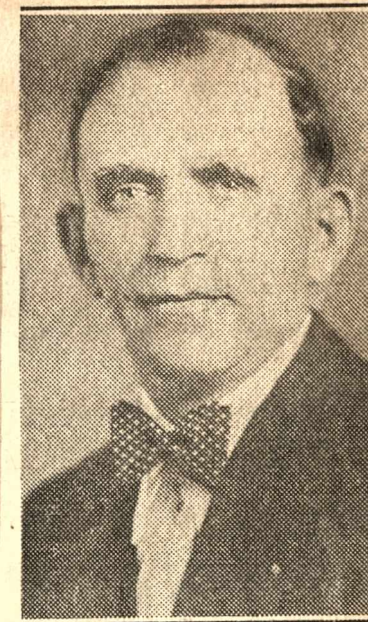
## FOR COUNTY CLERK.



**CATHERINE M. FEE.**

Catherine M. Fee, democratic candidate for clerk of the Circuit Court of Vigo county, has a record that has won the confidence and respect of every acquaintance. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schick, Catherine Schick Fee was born in Terre Haute. The father was a well known business man and early in life the daughter proved her business ability and was trained in business and executive lines. For several years she held a secretarial position and was then chosen as a deputy county clerk under Jack Joyce. She served with Joyce, was deputy clerk under James Fagan and deputy clerk under A. C. Duddleston. When the late lamented Jerry Fitzgerald was elected county clerk he again persuaded Mrs. Fee to return to the clerk's office as chief deputy. When Fitzgerald passed away Mrs. Fee was named to fill his unexpired term. She was rewarded for service by being unopposed in the democratic primary and is now a candidate for election. Mrs. Fee is married and supports an invalid husband. The family live at 811 South Fourth street.

## COMMISSIONER First District.



**FRANK BECK.**

Frank Beck, democratic candidate for county commissioner from the First district, has been a resident of Vigo county for many years. At the present time he resides with his family in Otter Creek township. Mr. Beck for many years was a carpenter and building contractor and has a wide acquaintance throughout the county. He has never held public office. Mr. Beck is imbued with the idea that the board of county commissioners is the business head of the county and as such is of the utmost importance to the taxpayer. His long and varied business experience qualifies him fully for the duties of commissioner. Mr. Beck states that if elected he will give his entire time and best efforts to the faithful discharge of the duties of the important office.



**IRA HALL.**

Ira Hall, republican candidate for sheriff of Vigo county, is one of the best known of candidates on either ticket. His record as an automobile racer has been a clean record, bringing him many trophies, among them the national sportsmanship trophy in 1932. Brought to Terre Haute by his parents when he was four years old, Mr. Hall has lived the other forty years of his life in this city. He was educated in the local public schools, attending Collett through the grades. He is 44 years old, married and has two children, a son and a daughter. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Euclid lodge, No. 573, and is affiliated with Kerman Grotto. He is a member of Amico lodge, No. 7007, and Encampment No. 17 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Izaak Walton league and the AAA National Racing association. He is a member of the Maple Avenue Christian church. Mr. Hall has never held public office.



**WILLIAM H. COOKE.**

William H. Cooke, the candidate of the republican party for prosecuting attorney of Vigo county, is one of the best known younger members of the bar in Terre Haute. He has been a resident of Vigo county for 32 years, is married and has three children. Mr. Cooke was born in Terre Haute and educated in the Terre Haute public schools. He attended Rose Polytechnic Institute, Stanford university and the University of Illinois, from which university he received the degree of LL. B. in 1926. He was admitted to the state and federal bar in 1926 and since that time has been engaged in the general practice of law in Terre Haute and Vigo county. At the primary election in 1934 Mr. Cooke won the republican nomination for Vigo county prosecuting attorney, but was defeated by Raymond J. Kearns, his democratic opponent, whom he seeks to succeed at the coming general election.



**DR. MCKINLEY J. BOHANNON.**

The republican candidate for Vigo county coroner, Dr. McKinley J. Bohannon, has been a resident of Terre Haute for the greater part of his life. Born in Clay county, he came, with his family, to Terre Haute when a young boy. He attended the grade schools of this city and graduated from Wiley high school. He later graduated from Indiana university at Bloomington with the degree of doctor of medicine. Prior to his taking up the practice of medicine here he was engaged in the drug business at Twenty-first street and Liberty avenue, for a number of years. He now enjoys a wide practice with offices at 409 Merchants National bank building. Dr. Bohannon is married and has a family. He is a Mason, an Elk and is a member of the First Congregational church.



**CHARLES E. SWANDER.**

Charles E. Swander, candidate on the republican ticket for treasurer of Vigo county, has been a resident of Terre Haute for more than 32 years. He is married and is the father of six children. Mr. Swander has been a Twelve Points merchant for many years and has constructed a substantial business through his reputation for fair dealing and honesty. Mr. Swander, who has never held public office, won the republican nomination for Vigo county treasurer in the primaries of 1934 but was defeated by his democratic opponent at the election held on Nov. 6, 1934.

# REPUBLICAN TICKET NOV. 3

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FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.



**FRED A. STALNAKER.**

Fred A. Stalnaker, one of the three republican candidates for Vigo county representative in the state legislature, is a native of Vigo county having been born and reared here. He was born Feb. 8, 1888, in Otter Creek township, about two miles north of Terre Haute on the Lafayette avenue road. At an early age he moved to Terre Haute, where he has since resided, except for a short time spent in the service of his country during the World war. Stalnaker attended the public schools in Terre Haute and is a graduate of a local business college. He was a member of the city council during the first administration of former Mayor Ora Davis and has served two terms as Vigo county clerk. Stalnaker now is a member of the Krietenstein post of the American legion, the Masons and other fraternal and civic organizations.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.



**CLYDE F. COOPER.**

Clyde F. Cooper, republican candidate for Vigo county clerk, is a citizen of Vigo county by birth. He has resided here all his life with the exception of two years spent in the service of his country as a soldier in the world war. He was educated in local public and high schools and has three years of college training, in addition to which he served two years as an instructor in bookkeeping and commercial subjects in a commercial college. He has served one four-year term as Vigo county recorder, and one term as state representative. He is a Scottish and York Rite Mason, a member of the V. F. W., and of the American legion. He pledges himself to better his own good record as a public official if elected to the office of Vigo county clerk.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.



**JACK COUNTRYMAN.**

Jack Countryman, one of three republican candidates for Vigo county representative in the Indiana state legislature, is a native son of Terre Haute, having been born and reared here. He attended and graduated from the local public schools and studied law at Indiana university and at National college at Washington, D. C. Since his graduation from law school he has been engaged in the practice of law in Terre Haute and has proven a very successful young attorney. He is married and resides at 1607 North Seventh street. He is a member of B. P. O. Elks No. 86 of Terre Haute and is also a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

FOR STATE SENATOR.



**MELVIN H. WATSON.**

Melvin H. Watson, republican candidate for state senator from Vigo county, was born in Prairie Creek township Aug. 19, 1889, and still lives on the same farm. Educated in the Prairie Creek schools and Prairie Creek high school, Watson attended the Indiana State Teachers college in 1907, 1908 and 1909. In 1923 he was elected as trustee of Prairie Creek township and served for four years. At the present time he is a live stock raiser and farmer. He is married and has four children. A few years ago Watson was the proprietor of a grocery store at Prairie Creek, retiring from this business to give his full time and attention to his agricultural interests.

COMMISSIONER

Third District.



*Harvey Morgan*

county and is the father of three children. He was born in Prairie Creek township in which township he is now engaged in farming. Mr. Morgan was educated in the Prairie Creek township schools and attended the Prairie Creek high school. He has never before held a public office.

Community Affairs File

Vigo County Public Library

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COMMISSIONER

First District.

FOR JUDGE SUPERIOR COURT

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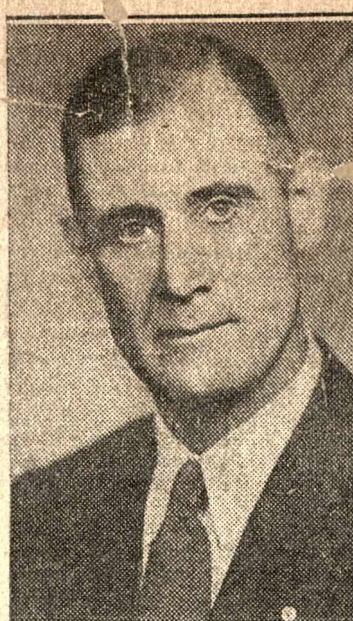
NOBLE J. JOHNSON.

Noble J. Johnson, republican, seeks his fourth term in the United States congress at the coming election. Mr. Johnson served three consecutive terms from 1924 through 1930 in congress, and retired from that body with an enviable record. He was born and reared in Terre Haute. He received his early education in the public elementary and high schools, after which he took up the study of law. He was admitted to the bar here in 1912, and is now admitted to practice before all courts, including the United States supreme court. Mr. Johnson was first elected to public office in 1920 when he was elected on the republican ticket as prosecuting attorney of Vigo county. In 1922 he was re-elected to that office, and at that time was the only republican elected. In 1924 he was elected to congress, representing the old Fifth district of Indiana. He was re-elected to congress in 1926, and was again re-elected in 1928. On returning from congress in 1930 he resumed the practice of law here. He is a Mason and is affiliated with all branches of the order including the Scottish Rite, the Knights Templar, the Shrine, the Grotto and the Eastern Star. He also is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Elks, Eagles, Moose, Macabees, the Red Men and the Kiwanis club. As a result of his services in behalf of the ex-service men while in congress he was made an honorary member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the Spanish-American War Veterans. His activities in securing the new federal building for Terre Haute was one of his last accomplishments in congress.



BENJAMIN E. WIMER.

Benjamin E. Wimer, republican candidate for the house of representatives is a life-long resident of Terre Haute. Although this is his first appearance in the field of politics, he has been well grounded in the principals of republicanism, his father, the late Joseph A. Wimer, a veteran of the civil war, a leading building contractor was a staunch republican having served as such in the city council and as street commissioner. Mr. Wimer volunteered for service in the Spanish war, served as major during the Mexican border campaign and throughout the world war, being overseas one year. At present he is a lieutenant colonel in the officers reserve corps of the U. S. A. and vice president of the Reserve Officers Association of Indiana. He is a member of the Masonic lodge and Kerman Grotto and past commander of the Spanish War Veterans and the American legion. Immediately following the Spanish war, Colonel Wimer became a civil service employ and served in different capacities until retired by the economy act. As an earnest student of civic and governmental affairs, Colonel Wimer is well qualified to serve in the office which he seeks. He is the father of four children, all graduates of the public schools of Terre Haute. Mrs. Wimer has long been active in civic and political affairs, being a past president of the Hamilton Club of Republican Women.



HUGH LENDERMAN.

Hugh Lenderman, republican candidate for county commissioner from the first district, is a native of Vigo county. He was born in Fayette township Nov. 4, 1888, and for the past 45 years has been farming and raising live stock. Mr. Lenderman was a member of the United Mine Workers of America for ten years while he was working in the Indiana mines. Lenderman is a member of the farm bureau. He is married and has five children and is still living on the Lenderman farm in Fayette township, where he proudly displays his stock, including a fine dairy herd. Lenderman is a member of the board of the Vigo County Fair Association, Inc., and for years has given his support to the 4-H club work. He was one of the Vigo county boosters that attended the first meeting in St. Louis, Mo., that resulted in the organization and extension of the Baby Beef Calf club.



CLAY A. PHILLIPS.

Clay A. Phillips, candidate for judge of Vigo County Superior Court No. 2 on the republican ticket, was born on a farm on July 4, 1890. He received his early education in the public schools and graduated from the Indiana University Law school. He also studied law at George Washington university at Washington, D. C. In past years he has taught school and later served as private secretary to the Hon. Everett Sanders when he represented this district in the United States congress. Mr. Phillips served two years in the U. S. air corps during the world war, 19 months of which was overseas. He is a past monarch of Kerman Grotto and a past commander of Ft. Harrison post of the American legion. He has practiced law in Terre Haute since the close of the war and in that time has served as county attorney and as a deputy city attorney. He was admitted to the bar in 1915 and is now eligible to practice in the state supreme court, appellate courts and in the federal courts.



PAUL J. SPEARS.

With several years experience in the engineering field, Paul J. Spears, goes before the voters next Tuesday as the republican candidate for Vigo county and resided in the county the greater part of his life. He graduated from the West Terre Haute high school and attended the University of Illinois and Rose Polytechnic institute, where he studied civil engineering. After leaving college he was employed for five years as an assistant construction engineer for the Pennsylvania Railroad company and later was engaged as assistant general superintendent of construction by the Drainage Engineering company of Middletown, Ohio, for a period of five years. At the present time Mr. Spears and his family reside north of Grover on the Lafayette avenue road.

# VIGO COUNTY REPUBLICAN

## Election, Tuesday, November 3, 1896.

October 29, 1896

### WILLIAM R. McKEEN.

The most popular citizen of Vigo county, irrespective of party, the most public spirited, the most approachable, at all times and under all circumstances, is William R. McKeen, who has the unanimous endorsement of his party in this district for the position of United States senator, in the event of Republican success in the effort to capture the legislature next month. There is every reason why Mr. McKeen should be a popular man in this community. He has never been called upon in any cause, public or private, that he has not been prominent in the effort to promote that for which his aid has been invited. Never has he been called upon for aid in any public enterprise that his generous showing has not assisted the



cause, and so profuse has been his giving that he has been enabled to follow the scriptural injunction closely, that is to say, his right hand has not known of the giving of his left. It would be hard to name a public or private institution in this city that Mr. McKeen's generosity has not been connected with, and so it is that when one is asked who is the most popular man in the county of Vigo, the answer comes, whether from Democrat or Republican, "Riley" McKeen.

Always a true and consistent Republican, Mr. McKeen's political acts have not been such as to offend those who have differed from him in politics, and hence it is, that some of the strongest adherents he has in his own county are Democrats who recognize his merits and his claims. It is notable in this connection that this is the first time Mr. McKeen has ever asked the people of the State for any public office.

Mr. McKeen is not only a Hoosier bred and born, but he is a native of Vigo county. He was born in Prairie Creek township,

October 12, 1829, and when election day rolls around, it is expected by those who have made a most careful canvas of the matter, that Prairie Creek township, on account of having one of her sons a candidate for senator, will roll up the largest majority this old reliable Republican community has ever shown. He will not only be the senator from Indiana, and from Vigo county, but he will be the senator from Prairie Creek township, and that is enough to enthrone not only the loyal Republicans from that township, but the Democrats, equally as loyal, to the distinction that will be conferred on them by his selection to the position to which he aspires. It has been a great many years since the proud state of Indiana was represented in the highest deliberative body in the world by one of her own sons, and when W. R. McKeen takes his seat there the grand old Hoosier state will have a representative who will be a credit to her, and to every one who casts his vote for the legislative candidate who stands for Mr. McKeen.

William R. McKeen was born in Prairie Creek township, Vigo county, Indiana, as said before, on the 12th of October, 1829. He was the son of Benjamin and Leathy (Paddock) McKeen, the former a native of Kentucky, and the latter of Ohio. His father, who was a farmer and pork packer, settled in Vigo county in 1823. After a busy, prosperous life in this community, he passed away December 22, 1866. At the time of his death Mr. McKeen was a member of the board of county commissioners of Vigo county.

W. R. McKeen, who was the eldest of a family of five children, was reared on his father's farm, assisting in the usual labors of the same, and attending the country schools. At the age of seventeen he became a deputy in the office of the county clerk, where he was employed for two years. He then became a clerk in the old state bank here, and after a number of promotions became cashier of that institution. In 1855 he established a private bank, known as McKeen Bros. bank, which institution, under the title of McKeen & Co., is still one of the most substantial and reliable of

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Terre Haute's banking establishments. He became a stockholder in the old T. H. & I. road, then of the Vandalia, and was for many years president of that company, retiring a few months ago from active business when the road was taken charge of by the Pennsylvania company. No more popular railroad official ever lived than President McKeen during all the years of his incumbency of that important office. Warm-hearted, generous and approachable, not a man on the road, from those in the highest positions, to those in the humblest, but felt that he had a personal friend in Mr. McKeen, and a friend that would see that justice was always done. There were many expressions of regret from the old employes when it was announced that Mr. McKeen had retired from active business life, and he was followed in his retirement by the good wishes of thousands of men who had been associated, in one form or another, with him for many years.

As a biographer has well said of him, "In the city of his home he is known as a leader in all public enterprises tending to the growth and glory of Terre Haute and the surrounding country—a man of action and power in politics, finances, public improvements, education and social life."

Certainly the people of his native county, with whose material interests he has ever been identified, feel kindly towards him, and will do all in their power to elect members of the legislature committed to his candidacy. The legislative ticket in this county and joint district is an unusually strong one, as will readily be seen.

### How to Vote for U. S. Senator.

The lack of information concerning the manner of the election of a senator of the United States is something astonishing. Every day the candidates for legislative positions on the Republican ticket are met with the inquiry as to how to vote for senator, many persons thinking Mr. McKeen's name will appear on the ticket to be voted for. The only way to cast a vote for W. R. McKeen for United States senator is to vote for the legislative candidates on the Republican ticket, Senator, Joint Repre-

sentative and Representatives, Early, Davis, Berry and Morgan. A vote for these gentlemen, or any of them, is a vote for Mr. McKeen.

### JACOB D. EARLY.

Jacob D. Early, Republican nominee for State Senator, is one of the most popular and best known lawyers of this city. He was born in Terre Haute, Nov. 4, 1859, within 100 yards of where he lives to-day. After being prepared for college at a private school in Baltimore, he entered Wabash College in the Sophomore year, from which well known institution he went to Kenyon College, where he graduated in 1879, at the head of his class. He studied law at the



University of Virginia and was admitted to the bar in this city in 1883 and has been in the practice of his profession ever since. He is one of the most thoroughly educated and best read men in the city. He belongs to numerous college and patriotic societies, is a Mason of high rank and a K. of P. He was also the first exalted ruler of the original lodge of Elks. Mr. Early has been an active politician, in local, state and national politics. While he has been often mentioned for Congressional honors he has declined. With his wide acquaintance among well known people of the state, and the leaders of his party, Mr. Early as State Senator will wield an influence during the meeting of the next legislature that cannot be overestimated. He will add to the office a dignity which its importance well-deserves, and no man who votes for Jacob D. Early for State Senator will ever have occasion to regret it.

Of the twenty-five hold-over members of the state senate, nineteen are Republicans, and it will be seen that the Republicans need to elect but six senators in the coming election to continue in control of that body. The most sanguine Democrat does

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making important legislation in the Senate at the next meeting of the legislature, must do so through the Republican majority in that body. It will therefore be to their interests to see a Republican senator elected, not only in this district but in all districts.



**ORA D. DAVIS.**

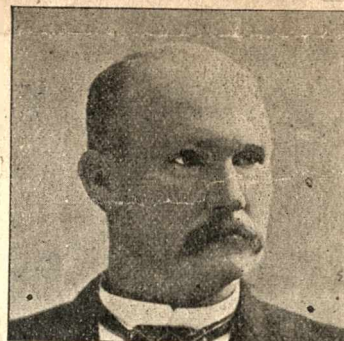
Ora D. Davis is a son of S. B. Davis, editor of the Hoosier State, of Newport, where the subject of this sketch was born November 30, 1870. He attended the schools of his native place and entered the law department of the University of Michigan, was graduated therefrom in June, 1891. In December of that year he was admitted to the Vigo county bar, with which he has since been identified. In the general election of 1894 he was elected to represent Vigo, Vermillion and Sullivan counties as joint representative in the state legislature, receiving a majority of 715, overcoming a previous majority of 1,580 in the three counties. In the legislature he served with credit, being a member of the committees on judiciary, legislative apportionment and education, all being important positions, and he was also chairman of the committee on phraseology of bills. It was his first experience as a member of the legislature, and from the favorable showing he made it may be safely said for him that he has a bright future before him in the deliberations of his party. He kept in touch with the unions, supporting the labor bills. He was especially active in

his support of the railway labor bills. His party has endorsed his action in the legislature by re-nominating him. Mr. Davis is now in business alone at No. 511 Ohio street.



**CASSIUS HOMER MORGAN.**

Cassius H. Morgan, better known as Homer Morgan, is one of the best known farmers of Vigo county. He was born in this county, and has resided in it for fifty-one years. His father was one of the pioneer settlers of the county, coming to the county when he was nine years old. This was in 1828. Mr. Morgan is a resident of Prairie Creek township, where his father settled. He owns 140 acres of as fine land as there is in Hoosierdom. Mr. Morgan while a life-long Republican, has never aspired to office. He has been prominent in politics, and was for several years Republican committeeman from his township, but never before was a candidate for the suffrages of the people. Farmers generally, no matter what their politics may be, agree that there is no more practical farmer, or more honest, upright man than Homer Morgan. The next representative is the father of seven sons, everyone a staunch Republican. Mr. Morgan is a director of the Vigo Fair Association. He has made a careful canvass of the county, and that he will receive the hearty support of the farmers is an assured fact. He is well known to all of them as a careful, reliable citizen in whom the utmost confidence can be reposed. He is the only practical farmer on either of the legislative tickets.

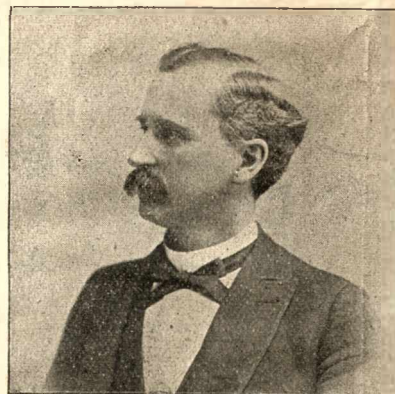


**WM. H. BERRY.**

Wm. H. Berry, nominee for representative on the Republican ticket, was born in 1848 in West Virginia. At the age of 21 he left his birth place and located in Belmont county, Ohio, where he accepted a position with the Baltimore & Ohio railway company, which position he held for three years. He came to this city in 1874, and on the 16th day of August, 1874, accepted a position with the Vandalia railroad company, where he is now a foreman of a department. He is a workingman in the true sense of the term and a staunch friend of organized labor. He has once before been honored by the Republicans with a legislative office. Mr. Berry is one of the best known railroad men in the city. He knows almost every employe of the Vandalia personally. He believes the solution of the labor problem lies in a shorter hour workday; is married and is the father of three children.

**GEORGE W. FARIS.**

George W. Faris, Congressman for this district and candidate for re-election, is a member of the law firm of Faris & Hamill, which was formed in 1883, and since its organization has held a prominent position in the legal profession of this country. Mr. Faris was born on a farm in Jasper County, Ind., June 8, 1854; his early life was spent on a farm in Pulaski County, Ind., where he worked until 18 years of age; in 1872 he



entered Asbury University, and graduated with his class in 1877; his father having met with financial reverses, the son was obliged to make his own way at college, which he did by teaching school, keeping up with his college studies in the meantime, and spending part of each year with his class; read law, was admitted to the bar, and has since practiced his profession; was elected to the Fifty-fourth Congress as a Republican, receiving 23,238 votes, against 20,669 votes for E. V. Brookshire, Democrat, 3,675 votes for Ranken, Populist, and 856 votes for Jackson, Prohibitionist. Mr. Faris was made a member of the committees on Manufactures and Pacific Railroads at the last session of congress. He filled them satisfactorily and made a reputation as a hard-working, pains-taking member of the House. His experience will be of vast service during the next congress to which he hopes to be elected. He has made a very thorough canvass of this district and everywhere strengthened the previous good impression formed of him.

**JAMES E. PIETY.**

James E. Piety, Republican candidate for judge of the Circuit court, is a native of Prairie Creek township, Vigo county. He was born on a farm on the 6th day of June, 1857, and is 39 years of age. The subject of this sketch lived on the farm with his parents in this county attending the country schools until 1869, when, at the age of 12, his parents took up their residence on a farm in Clark county, Illinois, where Mr. Piety spent six years working as farmer during the summer and attending school during the winter. At the age of 18 he commenced teaching in the

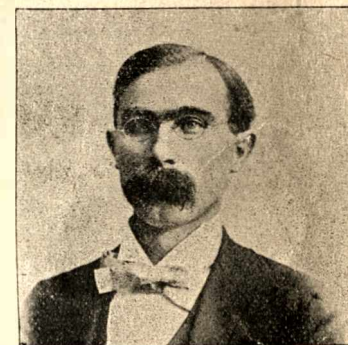


schools of his district, earning the money wherewith he was enabled to attend college at Valparaiso two years, and to prepare himself for the profession of his choice, that of an attorney. He read law in the office of the law firm of Golden & Wilkin, of Marshall, Ill., for several years when he was admitted to practice at the bar by the Supreme court of Illinois. In 1883 Mr. Piety took up his residence in this city, taking a prominent part among the attorneys of Terre Haute, and holding the office of prosecuting attorney from 1888 to

1890, and at present is co-brother, under the law firm of Piety & Piety, in conducting a large and lucrative business. In fact it may be said of him that he is a self-made man in more senses than one, and if elected will discharge the duties of the office with ability.

**WILLIAM TICHENOR.**

William Tichenor is a self-made man in the best sense of that term, he having worked his way up from the bottom to an honorable position in his profession. Coming to this city in 1892 he has made rapid strides in his profession. Mr. Tichenor has always been a Republican, and he is in politics what he is in everything else, a hustler. His party honored him with the nomination for county prosecutor at its late convention. He was born in Centerville, in this county, in 1859, and was left fatherless at the age of three years. He lived on the farm until he attained the age of seventeen years, when he left home to begin for himself. The first two years

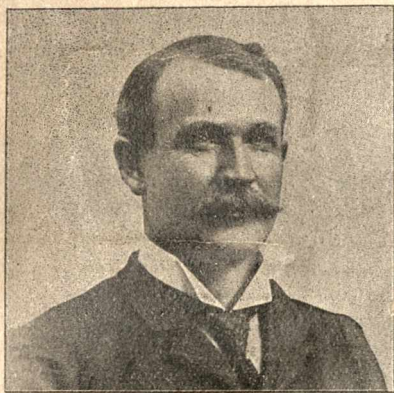


were spent in hard work on the farm and the next three years he lived at Centerville, where he attended school in winter and worked out to earn his way. He then received license to teach and taught ten years in the schools of this and Sullivan counties, teaching, however, the greater part of the time in this county. He was very successful in his school work. Deciding to make the law his profession he entered the law department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in October of 1891, and was graduated with high honor with the class of 1893. During his course in college he earned all credits by his class record and never had to take an examination. He is now engaged in giving a portion of his time as lecturer on commercial law at Garvin & Akers' commercial college in this city. He was married in 1884, and has two interesting children. Mr. Tichenor belongs to Social Lodge No. 86, F. & A. M., and Hymera Lodge No. 603, I. O. O. F., and has been a member of both orders since 1884. Mr. Tichenor worked at coal mining for some time and was president of a miners' union. He is a hard and conscientious worker at whatever he undertakes. To this is due his success in life. Mr. Tichenor has one of the largest law libraries in the city.

**ALARIC T. PAYNE.**

Alaric T. Payne was born at Rossville,

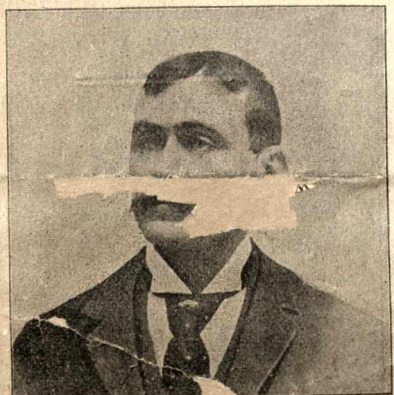
Ind. and was brought up on a farm. After the usual course in the common schools, he entered Asbury (now DePauw) university. He left college in 1871 and began the study of medicine at Kokomo, with Dr. R. Q. Wilson. He taught school during the winters while studying medicine, and then



attended lectures at the Medical College of Ohio, from which he graduated in March, 1875. He practiced his profession at Transylvania, Tippecanoe county, for eight years, Russiaville, Howard county, for seven years, and located here in October, 1890. His standing in the profession brought him into prominence, and last year he was nominated by the Republicans for the responsible position of coroner, to which he was elected by a large plurality. He has shown by his official actions that he is alive to the best interests of the tax-payers and will permit none of the abuses to creep into that office that have marked its occupancy in many other parts of the state. Dr. Payne was a member of the medical society of every county in which he practiced, Tippecanoe, Howard, Grant and Delaware counties, and is prominently identified with the Vigo Medical Society. He has always affiliated with the profession, in which his high standing is unquestioned. Dr. Payne is physician to the woman's ward at St. Anthony's hospital.

### WILTON T. SANFORD.

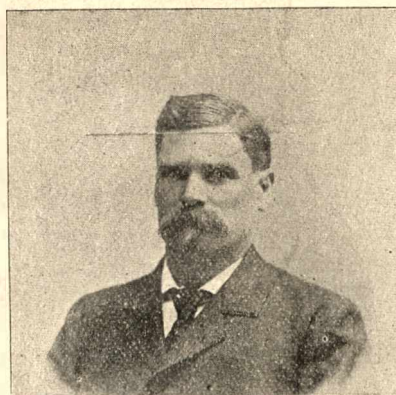
Wilton T. Sanford, county treasurer, and candidate for re-election was born at Youngstown, this county, in 1856. He received his education in the common schools, and at the commercial college of this city, and had a most successful career as a teacher, following that profession for



twelve years. He was a member of the township in the county, and in every community where thus engaged he made a most favorable record. After retiring from teaching he engaged in the grocery business on Second street. He is a shrewd politician, as was evidenced in the Republican county convention of 1894, when he was successful in landing the nomination against a field of unusually strong competitors. He was successful in the election as well, defeated John L. Walsh, who was a candidate for re-election, and who was conceded by all to be the strongest man on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Sanford is a member of the Odd Fellows, K. of P. and A. O. U. W. He is energetic and obliging, and has performed the duties of his office with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of all. Accommodating to an extreme he has never forgotten the fact that he is a public servant, and as such has fulfilled the duties of his responsible office in the most competent manner.

### JOHN BUTLER.

John Butler, sheriff of Vigo county, and candidate for re-election, was born in Fleming county, Kentucky, December 19, 1846. He has been a resident of Vigo county since 1855. He was raised on a farm, and followed farming until he was 26 years of age. He was deputy sheriff for two years under Sheriff Stepp, and while filling that position he made an efficient official. He was a member of the police



force for nearly eight years, and earned the reputation of being one of the coolest and most reliable members of the force. He resigned his position in 1892, when the Republicans nominated him for sheriff, and although he made a creditable race, he went down in the landslide of that year so disastrous to the Republicans. In 1894 he was again honored by his party by the nomination for the same office, and although pitted against an unusually strong man, Mr. Butler was successful by the decisive plurality of 334 votes. He is possessed of the qualities essential to the position he holds, is affable in manner yet firm when duty requires it.

### WILLIAM H. HARRIS.

William H. Harris, county surveyor and candidate for re-election, was born in Sugar Creek township, August 8, 1839. After completing the work in the common schools he spent two years at Terre Haute High

School, and then entered the Rose Polytechnic from which he graduated in the department of civil engineering in 1891. During his vacation he worked with Cole, Alford & Shields, civil engineers of Chicago. After graduating he accepted a position in the shops of the Lassig Bridge Co., of Chicago, and while there he received an offer from Geo. S. Morrison, bridge engineer, which he accepted. This he afterward resigned to accept a position as draughtsman



for the American Terra Cotta Co., which he retained a year and a half. He was the Republican candidate for county surveyor in 1894, and was elected by a rousing majority. He is the youngest of the county officials. It is interesting to note that Mr. Harris's father was county surveyor from 1880 to 1882. Mr. Harris's work is always carefully and accurately done. He is a man of strong natural ability and intelligence, and his professional training and experience make him extremely well fitted for his position. He is a member of two secret societies, the Red Men and K. of P.

### WILLIAM ATHON.

William Athon, candidate for assessor, is well known to every Republican in the county. He has always been found working in the interest of the Republican party. He was born in Springville, Lawrence county, Indiana, in September, 1839. When a small boy he removed with his parents to Paris, Ills., where he lived until 1878, when he removed to this city and took a position as clerk at the National House, which he held until the hotel closed a few months ago. He was a candidate for recorder before the Republican convention two years ago, but his defeat did not cool his Republican ardor. He took off his coat, rolled up his sleeves, and worked ardently for the whole county ticket. Mr. Athon is well qualified for the position to which he aspires, and his long experience in business has given him a practical knowledge of business affairs that will be of vast benefit to the community in general when he takes his office. He is a clever fellow, a good mixer, and with the general favorable chances for the Republican ticket he is sure to be elected by a big majority.

### THOMAS W. ADAMS.

Thomas W. Adams, commissioner from First district, and candidate for re-election, is a native of Parke county, but moved to Vigo county when a mere boy,

and has for many years resided in Nevins township. So popular is he in that community that although the township is strongly Democratic he was elected township trustee as a Republican in 1888, and filled the office with credit. He had the honor of being the first Republican ever elected to that office. Mr. Adams is regarded as one of the most prosperous farmers in Nevins township. His careful management of his own business affairs is sufficient assurance that he is a safe man in whose hands to entrust the business of the county. He is serving his first term as commissioner, and has in every way proved himself worthy of the entire confidence of the people. Careful and economical he has ever shown himself to be a friend to the taxpayers, who certainly are interested in having men in these important positions who will look after their interests. He has added to his already large list of friends since he assumed the office and it is safe to say that he will be re-elected next month by a largely increased plurality. Mr. Adams has always been an earnest worker for the best interests of his party, and the night was never too dark or the weather too bad to curb his enthusiasm or decrease his efforts in behalf of the party to whose interests he attaches himself.

### ANDREW WISEMAN.

Andrew Wiseman, candidate for commissioner from the Second district is a successful farmer of Sugar Creek, and one of the pioneers of the county. He is 64 years of age and has lived on the fine farm he now owns in Sugar Creek township for thirty-one years. Mr. Wiseman is a native Hoosier, having been born in Wabash county in 1832. In the prime of life he came to Vigo county, and settled in Sugar Creek township. He has been a hard worker, and is one of Vigo county's most reliable citizens. By good management of his business affairs, and practical economy, he has become the owner of one of the finest farms in the country. He is a man who is held in the highest esteem by those who know him best.